(b) the details of the budget allocated and the targets achieved for the year 2005-06;

(c) the fresh allocations made during the current year 2006-07;

(d) whether any survey has been undertaken to evaluate the quantitative and qualitative success of this scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Under the Centrally-sponsored Mid-Day Meal Scheme, cooked mid-day meal is being provided in Rajasthan to children studying at Primary stage in Govt., Govt.-aided schools and Education Guarantee Scheme and Alternative & Innovative Education centres.

(b) During 2005-06, Rs. 11776.18 lakh was released to Government of Rajasthan towards cooking cost and Management, Monitoring & Evaluation components. 73.35 lakh children were covered under the programme.

(c) For 2006-07, Programme Approval Board has approved Rs. 13331.28 lakh. With the revision of the scheme in June, 2006, the State Government has become eligible for more Central assistance at the revised rates.

(d) and (e) The State Government has informed that it has not conducted any survey or evaluation study.

Removal of certain parts from text books

†1966. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Madhya Pradesh has deleted the poems and memoirs about the first Prime Minister of the country and his wife Smt. Kamla Nehru from the text books;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether Government are aware that Government of Madhya Pradesh is going to make drastic changes in the syllabus;

(c) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) the steps Government are taking to ensure uniformity in syllabi at national level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) As per the information received from State Government of Madhya Pradesh, under the process of syllabus revision, one chapter of the Hindi textbook for Class-I, namely "Chacha Nehru Mujhe Bana Do", has been removed and another chapter of Hindi textbook for class VII, namely "Kamla" has been replaced by the memoir "Aakhiri Vasiyat" written by Pt. Nehru. Chapters of textbooks for the remaining classes relating to Pt. Nehru have not been removed.

(b) and (c) The present issue pertains to textbooks used in schools under the jurisdiction of State Government of Madhya Pradesh. For schools under the purview of the State Governments, the syllabus is generally prescribed by the State Examination Boards and the textbooks are prepared by the State Government agencies like State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT)/Examination Boards/ Directorates of Education. The Central Government has no role to play in preparation of textbooks for State Schools. However, schools affiliated to CBSE in all States follow the syllabus prepared by NCERT/CBSE.

(d) Based on National Curriculum Framework (NCF)—2005 National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), has prepared syllabus for schools affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education. On the basis of NCF the States are expected to draw up their own syllabi, after taking into account the local context.

Engineering Graduates worthy for MNCs

1967. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per a survey of Mckinsey Global Institute, only 25 per cent of Engineering Graduates in India are worthy for multinational companies;